Connecticut General Assembly – Environment Committee

Public Hearing March 13, 2017

HB 6329 AN ACT CONCERNING HYDRAULIC FRACTURING WASTE IN CONNECTICUT

I urge that this bill be approved.

My name is Douglas Lary. I live at 183 Summit St, in Willimantic, roughly the center of the eastern half of Connecticut. I vote every chance I get. I support this bill and suggest amending to cover other similar extraction wastes.

- 1) You must ban hydraulic fracturing waste and *also* all oil and gas drilling and extractions wastes from Connecticut. We should not be a dumping ground nor processing site for extraction waste and by products from other regions. We are in rough economic times, but accepting the toxins and radioactivity in these wastes exposes Connecticut to remediation costs and health hazards.
- 2) Spills, leaks and run-off have poisoned water and land in other states.

 Pennsylvania has poorly handled the extraction wastes from their low quality deposits of natural resources and adjacent poisons. New York counties have protected themselves from imported extraction waste and so should Connecticut.
- 3) A clear and effective **permanent ban** is needed. Regulations with exceptions for favored processors is not acceptable.
- 4) Cleaner energy is available and Connecticut can be a research center for such work. We should not accept pollution from extraction as a cost of energy while the sun still shines and the wind still blows.

I urge that this bill be approved to move forward out of committee to a vote by our legislature.

Thank you for the opportunity and technology to provide my testimony on this bill.

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